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For: INTEGRATED CIRCUIT HAVING  
SELF-ALIGNED CVD-TUNGSTEN/  
TITANIUM CONTACT PLUGS STRAPPED  
WITH METAL INTERCONNECT AND  
METHOD OF MANUFACTURE

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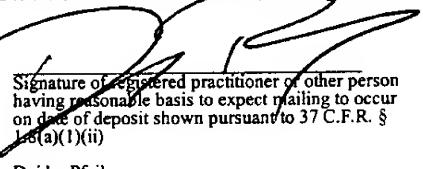
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DOCUMENTS

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Applicants offer to supply any explanation or discussion of the documents which the Examiner feels is necessary or desirable and which is requested.

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